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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Overview of Claim changes: Claims 1, 8 and 15 have been amended. Both Claims 10 have been canceled, claim 22 has been added.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Amended): A picture frame with integrated power control and lighting comprising;

a frame structure capable of retaining a replaceable image,
at least one power storage device located within the frame structure,
a variable power control device located within the frame structure,
at least one light source located in front of the image located within the
frame structure, and
an electrical connection located within the frame structure that connects
the variable power control mechanism and the light source to vary
the intensity of the light source.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The frame structure in claim 1 wherein the
frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The power source from claim 1 wherein the
power source is capable of storing electrical power.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The power source from claim 3 wherein the
power source is selected from group of batteries, storage capacitors,

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solar cells.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The light source from claim 1 wherein the light emitting source is selected from a group consisting of LED's incandescent lights, florescent light, halogen lights, or any other device that provides light when electricity is applied.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The image from claim 1 wherein the image is a flat or 3 dimensional image that rises from a surface.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The electrical connection from claim 1 wherein the electrical connection consists of wires etched circuit board, and circuitry that is molded bonded or formed as a part of the frame.

Claim 8 (Amended): A picture frame with integrated lighting comprising;
a frame structure capable of retaining a replaceable image,
a power source located external to the frame structure,
at least one light source located within the frame structure and in front of the image such that the illumination from the light shines on the front of the replaceable image, and
an electrical connection located within the frame structure that connects the power source to the light source wherein the intensity of the light source is at least partially controlled by the intensity of the light external to the picture frame.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The replaceable image from claim 8 wherein the image is a picture, painting, drawing or other artwork designed for viewing.

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Claim 10 (withdrawn): The retaining mechanism from claim 8 wherein the retaining mechanism is from screws, bolts, brads, nails, and tape retained by the frame.

Claim 10 (withdrawn): The frame structure in claim 8 wherein the frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The power source from claim 8 wherein the power source is from an electrical outlet, batteries, or other power supply that is capable of providing electrical power.

Claim 12 (previously presented): The light source from claim 8 wherein the light source is selected from a group consisting of LED's incandescent lights, florescent light, halogen lights, or any other device that provides light when electricity is applied.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The image from claim 8 wherein the image is a flat or 3 dimensional image that rises from a surface.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The electrical connection from claim 8 wherein the electrical connection consists of wires etched circuit board, and circuitry that is molded bonded or formed as a part of the frame.

Claim 15 (Amended): A method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image comprising;
providing a frame structure that can retain an image,
providing a solar charged power source,
providing a light source, and locating the light source within the frame and in front of the image, and

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providing an electrical connection from the solar charged power source to the light source within the frame structure.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The frame structure from claim 15 wherein the frame is the frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.

Claim 17 (previously presented): The image from claim 15 wherein the image is a picture, painting, drawing or other artwork designed for viewing.

Claim 18 (amended): The solar charged power source from claim 15 wherein the solar charged power source is ~~from an electrical outlet~~, batteries, storage capacitors or other solar chargeable power supply that is capable of providing electrical power.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The light source from claim 15 wherein the source is selected from a group consisting of LED's incandescent lights, florescent light, halogen lights, or any other device that provides light when electricity is applied.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The electrical connection from claim 15 wherein the electrical connection consists of wires etched circuit board, and circuitry that is molded bonded or formed as a part of the frame structure.

Claim 22 (new): The frame structure in claim 8 wherein the frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.